MR. B. T. KESAVA IYENGAR.—That will be done.

Leavy of Fines on Inspectors and Village Revenue Officials in Nanjangud Sub-Division.

MESSRS. B. CHAMAIYA (Seringapatam Taluk); H. K. MADIAH and M. K. SUBBIAH (Malvalli Taluk); SIVANANJE GOWDA and SAVANDIAH (Mysore Taluk); T. M. KAPANAYYA GOWDA and K. M. KRISHNAPPA GOWDA (Nagamangala Taluk); S. K. SIDDE GOWDA, S. THIMME GOWDA *alias* THAMMAYYA GOWDA and A. LINGE GOWDA (Krishnarajpet Taluk); C. DASAPPA (Heggaddevankote Taluk); GURUBASAPPA (Chamarajanagar Taluk); MIR RAZA ALI (Minorities); B. S. PUTTASWAMY (Nanjangud Taluk); H. HOMBE GOWDA, N. VEERARAJ URS and PATEL SIDDE GOWDA (T.-Narsipur Taluk); H. HONNAIYA and M. L. LINGANNA (Mandya Taluk); PATEL SANNA MALLAPPA (Yelandur Jahgir); K. KEMPE GOWDA (Mandya Municipality); A. THAMMAYYA (Minorities); B. SIDDALINGA SETTY (Special Interests) and S. C. MALLIAH (Maddur Taluk).—

Q.—15. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What is the total amount of fine levied and collected from the Revenue Inspectors and village officials in Nanjangud Sub-Division by the present Sub-Division Officer during his term of office?

(*b*) What is the amount of fine levied on them during *jamabandy*?

(*c*) Have explanations been obtained from the above officials before the fines were inflicted; if so, in how many cases?

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MR. H. V. RAMASVAMI).—*A.*—(*a*)—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Amount levied ...	2,873	9	0
Amount collected	1,496	12	0

(*b*) Rs. 1,694-5-0.

(*c*) Yes, generally. In some cases, the Revenue Inspectors are reported to have been fined on their diaries and certain records in which they had been involved, and the village officials for absence during *jamabandy*.

MR. B. CHAMAIYA.—How long is the officer in question in charge of the Nanjangud Sub-Division?

MR. H. V. RAMASVAMI.—Notice.

MR. B. CHAMAIYA.—With reference to answer to (*c*), may I know why explanations were not obtained from some of the officials?

THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER (MR. N. MADHAVA RAO).—No fresh explanations were considered necessary in cases in which the available records already contained explanations.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—How many Patels and how many Shanbhogues were punished by the Sub-Division Officer?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—The number of officials punished includes Patels, Shanbhogues and also Revenue Inspectors. Details are not readily available.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Would it be possible to give a rough idea of the proportion of Patels and Shanbhogues who were fined?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—Probably 2 to 1.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Is it not a fact that action has not been taken for years together to prosecute Shanbhogues who have been ordered to be prosecuted for misappropriation of funds?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—Notice.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Is it not a fact that punishment is meted out very promptly in the case of Patels?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—That does not arise from the question before the House.

MR. N. VEERARAJ URS.—The reason why so many village officials were fined is said to be that they were not present during *jamabandy*. But fines have also been levied on Patels who were present but were unable to show satisfactory collections. In view of the fact that the Patels were present at *jamabandy*, would it not be just to excuse the fines levied on them?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—That is a matter in which the aggrieved parties might go up in appeal.

MR. N. VEERARAJ URS.—Is it not desirable to issue confidential circulars

to the effect that revenue officers should not be too hard upon Patels in view of the fact that they are honorary workers?

DEWAN.—If they are honorary workers, they will get honorarium for work done. And if they do not satisfactorily discharge the work that they have taken up, they will have to be punished.

MR. H. K. MADIAH.—Would it not be a very difficult and expensive affair for Patels, who get only a nominal *potgi*, to go in appeal?

DEWAN.—That cannot be helped

MR. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—The village officials are fined because they are not present at *jamabandy*. Who will be the officer to fine Jamabandy officers if they themselves do not keep up to time during *jamabandy*?

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO.—That is not a supplementary question.

Issue of Orders on the Report of the Agriculturists' Relief Committee.

MESSRS. A. G. MUDRACHAPPA (Bowringpet Municipality) and B. SREENIVASA RAO (Bowringpet Taluk).—

Q.—16. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What are the recommendations made to Government by the Agriculturists' Relief Committee appointed for the purpose and the date on which they were made?

(*b*) Which of them were approved of by Government out of the above?

(*c*) When are they likely to pass their orders on other recommendations sent up by the Committee?

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MR. H. V. RAMASVAMI).—

A.—(*a*) to (*c*) The matter is under consideration and orders will issue shortly.

MR. B. SREENIVASA RAO.—Is it not a fact that the delay that has occurred in the issue of orders on the Agriculturists' Relief Committee's Report has resulted in considerable hardship to agriculturists inasmuch as the local officers are not showing any concession in regard to collections?

THE FIRST MEMBER (*Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur* K. MATTHAN).—That is not correct. Practically on all questions relating to the current year's collections, orders have been passed.

MR. B. SREENIVASA RAO.—Is it not one of the recommendations of the committee that dry rates should be charged on wet lands where crops have failed?

MR. K. MATTHAN.—The attitude of Government on that question has already been explained to the House by me yesterday.

MR. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that there are still some points on which Government have not passed orders? For example, have not the committee recommended that railway cess need not be collected any longer at least in particular districts?

MR. K. MATTHAN.—I understand that the District Boards have been addressed on that subject.

MR. M. A. GOPALASWAMI IYENGAR.—Is there any idea of publishing the report of the committee presided over by *Rajasabhabhushana Diwan Bahadur* K. R. Sreenivasa Iyengar?

MR. K. MATTHAN.—No. Copies of the report are available to the general public.

MR. M. A. GOPALASWAMI IYENGAR.—Would it not be desirable to translate the committee's report into Kannada and make copies available to the raiyats?

MR. K. MATTHAN.—I am afraid it is not a practicable suggestion.

MR. M. A. GOPALASWAMI IYENGAR.—Will the Government at least pass final orders on all the points contained in the report?

MR. K. MATTHAN.—That is the idea of the Government.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Alteration of the Land Revenue System.

"This Assembly recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja that the system of land revenue be suitably altered so as to provide for the grant of remission even in respect of dry lands in the years in which crops fail for want of rains, as is already in force in the Madras Presidency."